

# UNDERWATER BRIDGE INSPECTION REPORT

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STRUCTURE NO. 02545

CR NO. 116

OVER THE

RUM RIVER

DISTRICT 5 - ANOKA COUNTY

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PREPARED FOR THE  
MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
UNDERWATER BRIDGE INSPECTION

REPORT SUMMARY:

The substructure units inspected at Bridge No. 02545, Piers 1 through 3, were found to be in good condition with no defects of structural significance observed. The channel bottom in most instances appeared stable; however, minor localized scour has developed since the previous inspection exposing a portion of the footing at Pier 1. A light accumulation of debris extended some distance downstream from around the upstream nose of Pier 1.

INSPECTION FINDINGS:

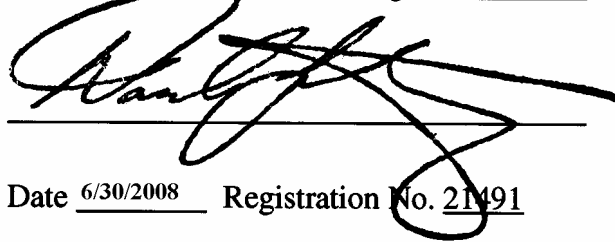
- (A) Five hairline vertical cracks were observed on both faces of Pier 1 extending from the top of pier to the channel bottom. On each side of Piers 2 and 3 seven hairline cracks were observed extending from the top of the pier cap to the channel bottom.
- (B) A light accumulation of 8-inch-diameter and smaller timber debris was observed starting 5 feet downstream of the upstream nose on the east side and extended around the nose to 20 feet downstream along the west face of Pier 3.
- (C) The top of footing was exposed 3.7 feet below the waterline for 15 feet along the east face of Pier 1 with up to 3 inches of vertical exposure.
- (D) Overall the concrete was observed to be in good and sound condition. Also, the channel bottom was found to appear to be stable and to consist of sandy gravel with up to 1 foot of probe rod penetration.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- (A) Reinspect the submerged substructure units at the normal maximum recommended (NBIS) interval of five (5) years.
- (B) Monitor the footing exposure and drift accumulation during future underwater inspections.

I hereby certify that this plan, specification, or report was prepared by me or under my direct supervision and that I am a duly Licensed Professional Engineer under the laws of the State of Minnesota.

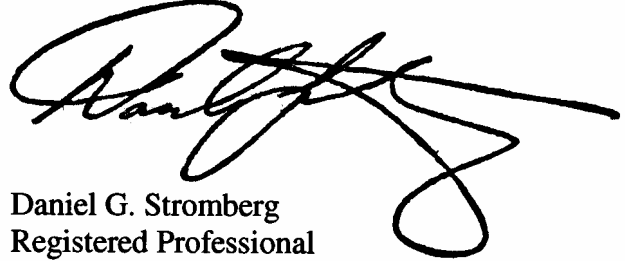
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Date 6/30/2008 Registration No. 21491

Respectfully submitted,

COLLINS ENGINEERS, INC.

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Registered Professional  
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1. BRIDGE DATA

Bridge Number: 02545

Feature Crossed: The Rum River

Feature Carried: CR No. 116

Location: District 5 - Anoka County

Bridge Description: The superstructure consists of a four span concrete beam structure supported by two concrete abutments on piles and three concrete piers on piles, numbered 1 to 3 starting from the west.

2. INSPECTION DATA

Professional Engineer/Team Leader: Bradley A. Syler, P.E., S.E.

Dive Team: John J. Loftus, Valerie Rouston

Date: August 13, 2007

Weather Conditions: Partly Cloudy,  $\pm 75^{\circ}\text{F}$

Underwater Visibility:  $\pm 1$  Foot

Waterway Velocity:  $\pm 0$  f.p.s.

3. SUBSTRUCTURE INSPECTION DATA

Substructure Inspected: Piers 1 through 3.

General Shape: The pier shafts are rectangular with flat noses. The piers are supported by rectangular footings founded on piles.

Maximum Water Depth at Substructure Inspected: Approximately 6.4 feet.

4. WATERLINE DATUM

Water Level Reference: The top of the pier cap on the upstream end of Pier 1.

Water Surface: The waterline was approximately 13.0 feet below reference.  
Waterline Elevation = 844.4

5. NBIS CODING INFORMATION (Minnesota specific codes are used for 92B and 113)

Item 60: Substructure: Code 7

Item 61: Channel and Channel Protection: Code 7

Item 92B: Underwater Inspection: Code B/08/07

Item 113: Scour Critical Bridges: Code I/92

Bridge is scour critical because abutment or pier foundation is rated as unstable due to observed scour at bridge site.

       Yes   X   No



Photograph 1. Overall View of the Structure, Looking Southwest.



Photograph 2. View of Pier 1, Looking West.





Photograph 3. View of Pier 2, Looking Southeast.



Photograph 4. View of Pier 3, Looking West.





Photograph 5. View of East Abutment, Looking South.

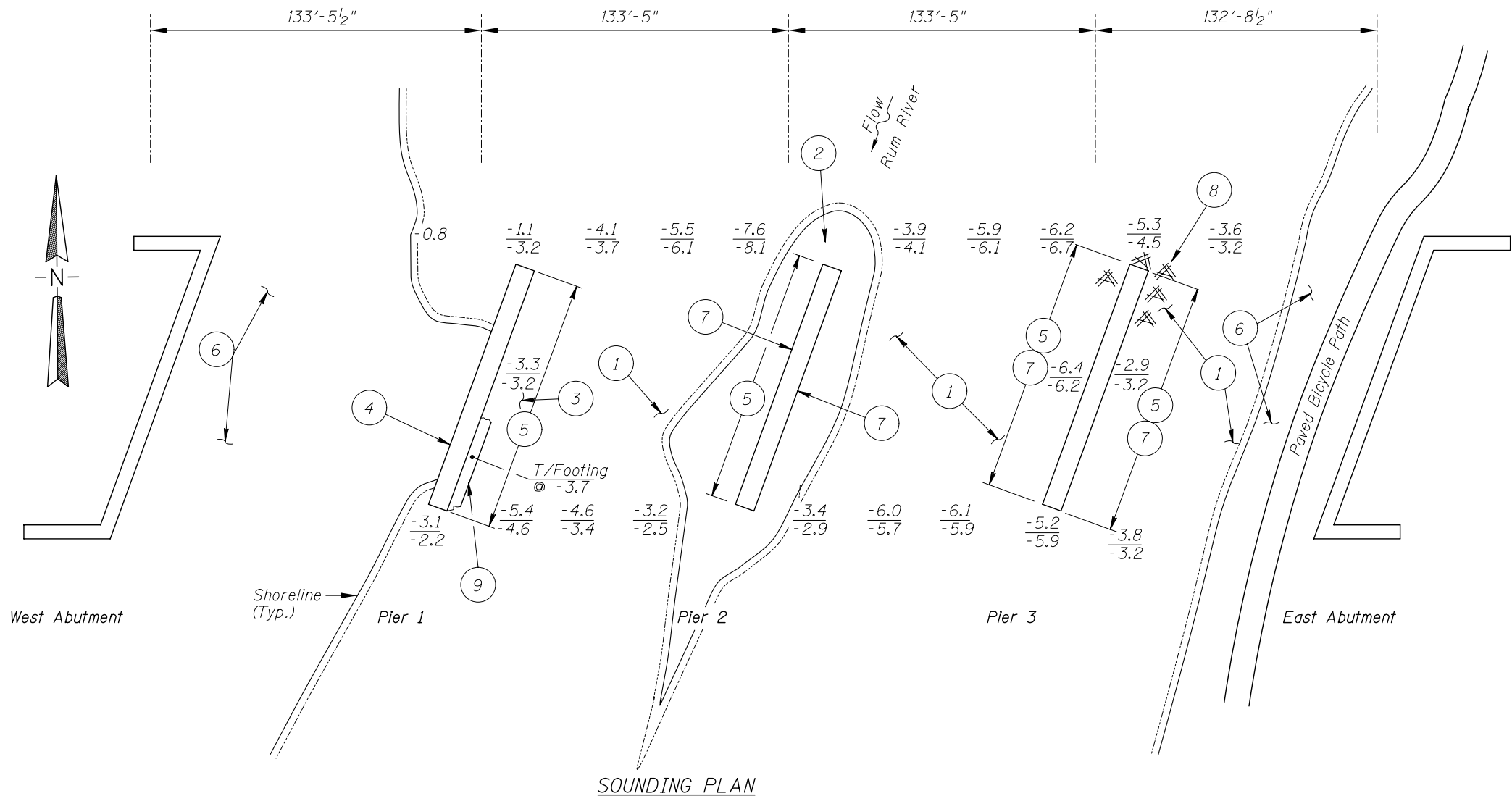


Photograph 6. View of West Abutment, Looking North.

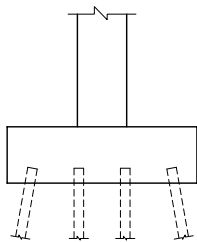




Photograph 7. View of a Typical Crack found on East face of Pier 3. Looking West



- GENERAL NOTES:
- Piers 1, 2, and 3 were inspected underwater.
  - At the time of inspection on August 13, 2007, the waterline was located approximately 13.0 feet below the top of the pier cap at the upstream end of Pier 1. This corresponds to a waterline elevation of 844.4 based on the previous report dated September 24, 2002.
  - Soundings indicate the water depth at the time of inspection and are measured in feet.
  - Soundings were taken parallel to the bridge at 4 point intervals between the substructure units.



INSPECTION NOTES:

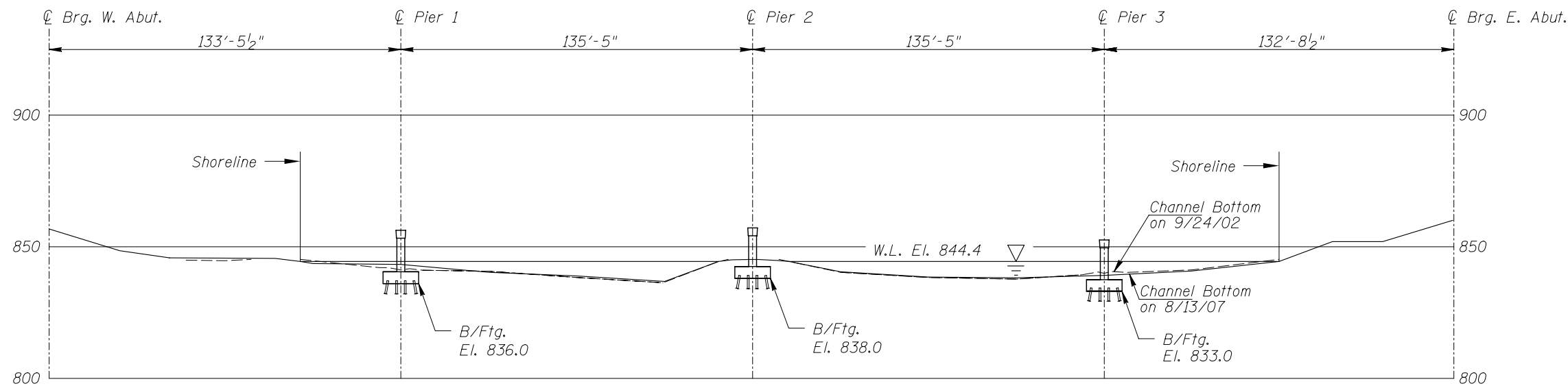
- The channel bottom consisted of sandy gravel with up to 1 foot of probe rod penetration.
- 1 to 2 foot diameter riprap was observed at the upstream end of Pier 2.
- The channel bottom around Pier 1 consisted of silty sand with up to 2 feet of probe rod penetration.
- 5 hairline vertical cracks were observed on both faces of Pier 1 extending from the top of pier to the channel bottom.
- The concrete was smooth and sound.
- The embankments consisted of grouted riprap.
- 7 hairline vertical cracks were observed on both faces of Piers 2 & 3 extending from the top of the pier cap to the channel bottom.
- A light accumulation of 8-inch-diameter and smaller timber debris was observed from 5 feet downstream of the upstream nose on the east face, around the upstream nose, to 20 feet downstream of the upstream nose along the west face. The debris extending from the channel bottom up 2 feet and up to 4 feet off the faces and nose.
- The top of footing was exposed at 3.7 feet below the waterline from the downstream nose to 15 feet upstream of the downstream nose along the east face of the pier with up to 3 inches of vertical exposure.

- Legend
- 2.0 Sounding Depth (8/13/07)
  - 5.2 Sounding Depth (9/24/02)
  - Timber Debris

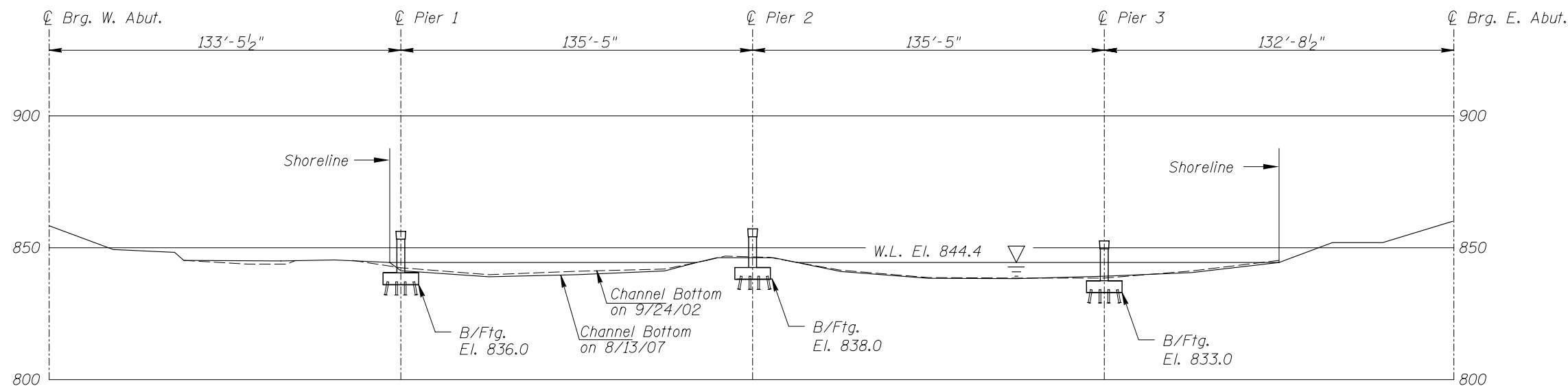
Note:

All soundings based on 2007 waterline location.

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STRUCTURE NO. 02545 OVER THE RUM RIVER DISTRICT 5, ANOKA COUNTY		
INSPECTION AND SOUNDING PLAN		
Drawn By: PRH	COLLINS ENGINEERS	Date: AUGUST, 2007
Checked By: MDK		Scale: NTS
Code: 52210106		Figure No.: 1



UPSTREAM FASCIA PROFILE



DOWNSTREAM FASCIA PROFILE

Note:

Refer to Figure 1 for General Notes.

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DISTRICT 5, ANOKA COUNTY  
**UPSTREAM AND DOWNSTREAM  
FASCIA PROFILES**

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Scale: 1"=50'

Figure No.: 2



MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
OFFICE OF BRIDGES AND STRUCTURES  
DAILY DIVING REPORT

INSPECTORS: Collins Engineers, Inc. DATE: August 13, 2007  
ON-SITE TEAM LEADER: Bradley A. Syler, P.E, S.E.  
BRIDGE NO: 02545 WEATHER: Partly Cloudy,  $\pm 75$  °F  
WATERWAY CROSSED: The Rum River  
DIVING OPERATION: X SCUBA        SURFACE SUPPLIED AIR  
       OTHER         
PERSONNEL: John Loftus, E.I.T., Valerie Roustan  
EQUIPMENT: Scuba, Sounding Pole, Camera, u/w Light, Scraper, Probe Rod  
TIME IN WATER: 4:10 P.M.  
TIME OUT OF WATER: 4:53 P.M  
WATERWAY DATA: VELOCITY  $\pm 0$  f.p.s.  
VISIBILITY  $\pm 1$  foot  
DEPTH 6.4 feet maximum at Pier 3.  
ELEMENTS INSPECTED: Piers 1, 2 and 3  
REMARKS: Overall, the concrete was in good, sound condition with no structurally significant defects observed. Several hairline vertical cracks were observed on Piers 1, 2 and 3. The top of footing was exposed at 3.7 feet below the waterline from the downstream nose to 15 feet upstream of the downstream nose along the east face of Pier 1 with up to 3 inches of vertical exposure. A light accumulation of timber debris extended from 5 feet downstream of the upstream nose on the east face, around the upstream nose, to 20 feet downstream of the upstream nose along the west face of Pier 3.  
FURTHER ACTION NEEDED:        YES X(\*) NO

\* Monitor any footing exposure and give consideration to the removal of drift accumulations if found to be increasing during future underwater inspections.

Reinspect the submerged substructure units at the normal maximum recommended (NBIS) interval of five (5) years.

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UNDERWATER INSPECTION CONDITION RATING FORM

BRIDGE NO. 02545  
INSPECTORS Collins Engineers, Inc.  
ON-SITE TEAM LEADER Bradley A. Syler, P.E., S.E.  
WATERWAY CROSSED Rum River

INSPECTION DATE August 13, 2007  
NOTE: USE ALL APPLICABLE CONDITION  
DEFINITIONS AS DEFINED IN THE MINNESOTA  
RECORDING AND CODING GUIDE INCLUDING  
GENERAL, SUBSTRUCTURE, CHANNEL AND  
PROTECTION, AND CULVERTS AND WALL  
DEFINITIONS TO COMPLETE THIS FORM.

CONDITION RATING

UNIT REFERENCE NO.	UNIT DESCRIPTION	MAXIMUM DEPTH OF WATER	SUBSTRUCTURE						CHANNEL					GENERAL					
			PILING	COLUMNS, SHAFTS, OR FACES*	FOOTINGS	DISPLACEMENT	OTHER	OVERALL SUBSTRUCTURE CONDITION CODE*	SCOUR	EMBANKMENT EROSION	EMBANKMENT PROTECTION	OTHER (DRIFT/DEBRIS)	OVERALL CHANNEL & PROTECTION CONDITION	CONCRETE	STEEL	TIMBER	LOSS OF SECTION	PREVIOUS REPAIR OR MAINTENANCE	OTHER
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	Pier 1	3.3'	N	7	8	9	N	7	6	N	8	N	8	7	N	N	N	N	N
	Pier 2	N	N	7	N	9	N	7	8	N	N	7	7	7	N	N	N	N	N
	Pier 3	6.4'	N	7	N	9	N	7	7	N	8	7	7	7	N	N	N	N	N

\*UNDERWATER PORTION ONLY

REMARKS: Overall, the concrete was in good, sound condition with no structurally significant defects observed. Several hairline vertical cracks were observed on Piers 1, 2 and 3. The top of footing was exposed at 3.7 feet below the waterline from the downstream nose to 15 feet upstream of the downstream nose along the east face of Pier 1 with up to 3 inches of vertical exposure. A light accumulation of timber debris extended from 5 feet downstream of the upstream nose on the east face, around the upstream nose, to 20 feet downstream of the upstream nose along the west face of Pier 3.

NOTES: ATTACH SKETCHES AS NEEDED, IDENTIFY REMARK BY REFERRING TO UNIT REFERENCE NO. AND REMARK NO.  
USE GENERAL SECTION TO IDENTIFY OVERALL PRESENCE OF SPALLS, CRACKS, CORROSION, ETC.